

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

The indication of allowable subject matter in original claims 4, 6-12, 16, 22, 24, 26-29, 31-33, 37-40, 42, 44, 45, 47 and 56 is gratefully acknowledged. In accordance with this indication, these claims have been amended into independent form and where required to correct any informalities noted in the Office action under Section 112. The remaining claims now all depend from a claim that is indicated as containing allowable subject matter. Claims 3, 4 and 57 have been cancelled.

Having addressed all of the points raised in the Office action, it is believed that the application is now entitled to favorable treatment and this is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. Warren Taltavull', written over the typed name.

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